

September 30, 2019

Mr. Dave Andersen, AICP Growth Management Services Managing Director Washington State Department of Commerce 1011 Plum Street SE PO Box 42525 Olympia, Washington 98504-2525

RE: E2SHB 1923 Grant Application – Housing Action Plan (HAP)

Dear Mr. Andersen:

Thank you for providing the City of Mukilteo with the opportunity to apply for funding under the E2SHB 1923 grant program. The City's specifically seeks funding to prepare a housing action plan.

The goal E2SHB 1923 sets forth for a housing action plan is laudable. As provided for in the legislation, a housing action plan will enable Mukilteo to evaluate ways to encourage the construction of additional affordable and market rate housing in a greater variety of housing types and at prices accessible to a greater variety of incomes.

To do this, Mukilteo will use the grant funding to examine updated data and work with our community and stakeholders to examine and prioritize opportunities to increase residential building capacity and streamline permit processes.

While Mukilteo has a dedicated, professional staff, the City would not be capable of preparing a Housing Action Plan without the benefit of grant funding. Therefore, we are pleased this funding opportunity presents itself.

I, Jennifer Gregerson, Mayor of Mukilteo, authorize the city to propose the attached scope of work and budget request for E2SHB 1923 grant funding for a Housing Action Plan.

We agree to adopt the ordinances and/or plans that result from the grant, by April 1, 2021, acknowledging that, a minimum, the actions must meet the requirements of E2SHB 1923.



Thank you again for the opportunity to submit this funding application. We trust that the Washington State Department of Commerce will look favorably on our request.

Please feel free to contact Laurena Balisky, Planning Manager, at (425) 263-8041 or lbalisky@mukilteowa.gov should you have questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Gregerson Mayor of Mukilteo

Enclosures: Completed Growth Management Services E2SHB 1923 Grant Application Form

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